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Mr. John M. Skaradowski
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Dear Mr. Skaradowski:


Admiral Turner has asked me to thank you for your letter of 3 November and for your very complimentary comments. He very much appreciates your invitation to be the honored guest and principal speaker at your annual dinner in February. Unfortunately, the Admiral has so many events already scheduled far into 1978 that it is impossible to accept any additional commitments.

He very much regrets that he will be unable to join you but sends his very best wishes for a successful and enjoyable evening.

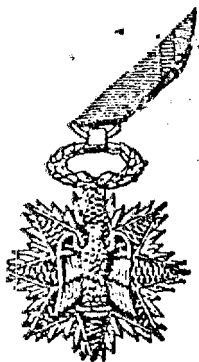
Sincerely,

Herbert E. Hetu
Assistant for Public Affairs
to the Director of Central Intelligence

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November 3, 1977

Adm. Stansfield Turner
Director of Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

Again I would like to congratulate you. The President could not have picked a better man. Its wonderful to have a man of your caliber in such an important position. We in Rhode Island would be delighted if you would consent to be our honored guest and principal speaker at our Annual Black Tie Dinner and Election of Officers. This dinner is an annual affair held in February. You have your choice of Fridays, the 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th. All we need is the go sign. The dinner will be held at the Turks Head Club, corner of Westminster and Weybosset Sts, Providence, R. I.

The meeting is a closed meeting to the press. The organization is made up of officers and former officers of the Armed Services. One of our main objectives is to further and perpetuate military history. Leadership awards are given to the Military Academies, and also colleges and high schools with ROTC affiliations.

Our last two speakers are mutual friends, General Bernard Rogers, Army Chief of Staff, and Lyman Kirkpatrick, Professor of Military history at Brown. You may recall I tried to have you as a speaker about six years ago when you were President at the Naval War College.

There will be a sedan and driver at your disposal, and reservations will be made at the Hope Club or any other place of your choosing for you and your party.

Respectfully yours,

John M. Skaradowski
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